



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

Date: February 6, 2012

To: PUBLIC SAFETY, CIVIL RIGHTS & HEALTH COMMITTEE
Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: CONTRACT WITH THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS PART OF THE AMERICAN
INDIAN INFANT MORTALITY REVIEW PROJECT

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to:

1. enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health to accept up to \$2,000 for professional services as part of the state's American Indian Infant Mortality Review Project, and
2. increase both the revenue estimate in fund/department 8600151 (revenue code 321507) and the 2012 appropriation in fund/department 01600-8600151 by \$2,000.

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by:

Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X Action requires an appropriation increase to the ____ Capital Budget or X Operating Budget.
 X Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department is requesting to enter into an Annual Plan Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) for professional services. MDH has requested assistance from department staff to work on the Minnesota American Indian Infant Mortality Review project by conducting interviews of American Indian mothers and/or other family members of infants who died before their first birthday. This activity requires an in-person visit either in the mother's home or another place of her choosing that would provide sufficient privacy to conduct this interview. MDH will provide training on the project.